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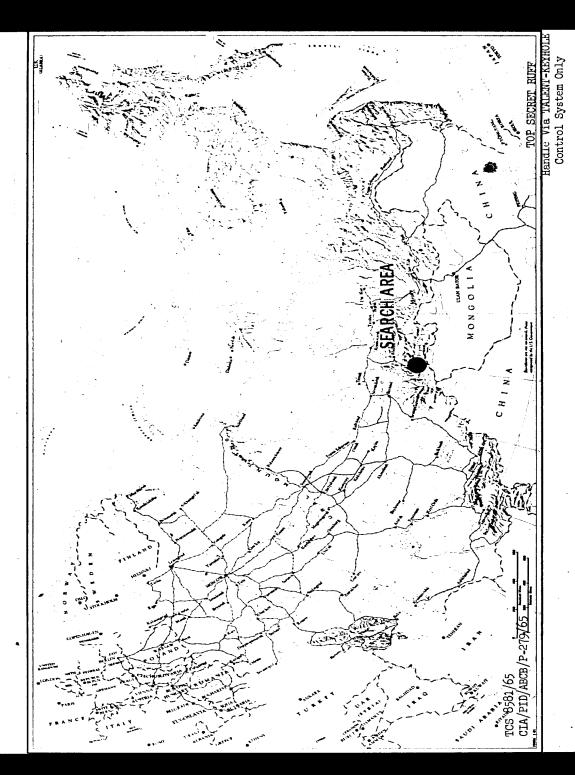
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A 50-nautical mile (nm) radius area centering on Kyzyl-Mazhalyk, USSR (51-10N 90-35E) has been searched for any atomic energy related activity but none could be identified.

During this search an extensive mining and ore processing area was identified approximately 2 nautical miles northeast of the town of Kyzyl-Mazhalyk. Collateral information $\underline{1}/$ indicates that this operation is for the mining and milling of asbestos. A study of the photography provided no indications of this installation being related to atomic energy activity, but it does support the asbestos mining and milling identification.

This search area is along the Mongolian border and is extremely rugged with mountains of over 11,000 feet. There are no improved airfields in the area nor are there any railroads. In general, the area is almost inaccessable, although a new road is being constructed from the asbestos combine to the nearest railhead which is approximately 130 fiautical miles across the Sayan Mountains. The present route is approximately 450 nautical miles.

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